4/13/71

Dear Paul,

Hasty, partial response to your letter of 4/7, arrived today, for there are other things I must do. I'll go over again later. The three letters to which I responded (other Fines, who has returned new DJ forms with apology for giving me wrong date, to which I'll respond as it deserves) are enclosed. Please return. ...Bagdikian: friend Matt's. We've spoken, but he hasn't phoned. I've been in touch with a member of his (national desk) staff who has promised the report mentioning PSI and S. I think you err in PSI, for I understand it means more than "potential" but "provisional" Please drop any further hints on Oswald along this line, for the moment without explanation. Important. The progression is from PSI to SI....I'm filing this under OSWALD AGENT, to the writing of which I may soon return. Have you seen any mention in CDs of PSIs or SIs?...Whitten; it is as I predicted. I'm having similar-identical-experience with another legman on another subject...Newspaper lists: anything in those two Shaw stories? And, as you read any Marcello stories, if you come accross any names that may be of hoods, please let me know. Re my 3;22: answer from Kleindienst in only 3 wks? Gone on now! Glad you are preparing to go to court, and on that, but let us consult first. Even if you have a lawyer, let me read draft of complaint. My cases have not been returned, but I remember some useful precedents that may not yet be indexed and JN's lawyer overlooked....Please try and remember how really tired I am, both ways, and the too-many things I'm into, so that when you say "I think you are onto something impittant in your 3/23" I can tell from your general hint or comment without having to dig out that enormous file. Do you mean all of that business on the film together or any one or combination? I've been working on this for a very long time....Martin volunteered and explained how he know. I do not recall whether I asked Doyle or he volunteered. I think I asked one of you to check this out long ago, for the first time, and Stan did and made transcript. Doyle told me all of them agreed the film had been edited, meaning also the Wilsons. Beginning with Altgens and through all of PW there is parallel technique. I have a description of one man taking pictures who could be an agent, too, on Canal St. and I now know Oswald had a bunch with him right before ITM, with two new witnesses, both credible, both involved, one no FBI interview report. I've forgotten about your B. approx date? Ask them to specify howxre D. If they decline, remind them that FOI puts burden of proof on them. F I asked Army for FOI info five-six months ago, repeated, no response. My Senator wrote me month ago he has inquired. No response to date. I also told Ervin. I think I'd just as leave file and test whether they can ignore such requests, jointly, vs Army and Justice and let them have possible conflict in public, pref. court...I have serious publisher problems. If he had set out to kill book, he could do no better. I've not yet gotten back either my copy of contract or "advance", which I need urgently for bank (overdue). They have yet to place any as, yet to arrange a single promo, yet to send me my free copies, yet to return my docs, and they've opposed almost everything I've wanted to do. Some I did anyway. Bud has felt from the first that they'd been reached, and I've not believed. But their printing was less than required for repayment of "advance", half of what was agreed to (but not in contract) and they've ignored and freely violated contract. If it can be arrogance and incompetence, I'm at the point where I feel I can no longer assume no other possibility. With the maximum-effort provision of agreement on ads/promos, this book could have done very much by now. That they haven't exploited FBI content, esp after PW and Sat Review reviews is incredible and if incompetence, monumnetal incompetence. They refused to even try and exploit Foreman's flight from TV station when he learned he was to face me. And they refused to arrange press conference when I told them Huie and Dwyer were to appear unopposed, which would have been killing in NYC where media opinion is formed. I fought onto show, but they've not yet repaid any of my exp., which really pinches. If this is not enough, there is more....Re 3/29 and Anderson: I now have independent local check. Local paper, which throws nothing free away, has started to carry. They have entirely different columns today, 1/3 more than Post yesterday....Fine on PMs. ...I've written Boggs twice. No response. He was divorced, remarried fast, hunch personal stuff. I've told him of Southern Research, etc...I've one set CDs, await second for going over, so I can subject-file and list as I do. If you make memos, interested. Even when I get second set, I'm into too much. Please note anything on as agent, medical, especially. Pls send duplicate memos, so I can keep a complete file of yours separate from subject. More later, HW